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Times-Virginian **SPORTS**

Raiderettes lose first two games

RAIDERETTES AND LADY KNIGHTS battle for a rebound in last Tuesday's varsity girls' basketball game.

The Raiderette varsity basketball team dropped games to Liberty and Buckingham in the first week of the Seminole District girls' basketball season last Tuesday and Thursday.

In Tuesday's 38-26 loss, Liberty crept into an 8-6 lead in the first quarter, then extended that lead to 19-12 by the end of the first half.

In the third quarter, Liberty outdistanced the Raiderettes, scoring 12 points to Appomattox's four. The final quarter saw a resurgence of Raiderette offensive power, with Appomattox scoring 10 points to Liberty's seven, but the rally was not enough to overcome the deficit which piled up in the first three periods of the game.

Sally Coleman, Bev Bennett and Janice Foster all scored six points for the Raiderettes; Darlene Ferguson scored four, and Delores Smith and Aretha Jackson scored two each against Liberty.

Cary Cowlbeck and Becky Norton scored in double figures for Liberty, with 14 and 10 points, respectively.

In Thursday's game against Buckingham, both teams started slow offensively, with the Lady Knights scoring seven points in the first quarter, and Appomattox scoring four.

In the second quarter, Buckingham began to pull away, scoring 12 to the Raiderettes' four to take a 19-8 lead into the locker room at the half.

It was in the third quarter, however, that Buckingham exploded offensively, scoring 29 points, including 14 by Alice Apperson, to Appomattox's 13. In the final quarter, the Raiderettes again made a come-from-behind bid, outscoring the Lady Knights 18-9, but at the end of the game the Raiderettes had not made up their lost ground, and Buckingham recorded the win, 57-39.

Bev Bennett was the leading scorer for Appomattox, with 12 points, and Janice Foster had eight points against Buckingham. Others scoring for Appomattox were Traci Moore and Sally Coleman with seven points each and Darlene Ferguson with five points.

Alice Apperson led all scorers with 29 points on the night for the Lady Knights. Dalyn Seay also scored in double figures for Buckingham, with 10 points.

The Raiderette's were scheduled to play Gretna Tuesday after the Times-Virginian deadline. Thursday evening, the team will play Brookville at Brookville, and next Tuesday, (Sept. 11) the team will play Nelson County at Nelson County.

Soccer league set

The Appomattox County Recreation Department will sponsor a fall soccer league this year.

This league will be open to any Appomattox County resident, ages 8-13.

Players can sign-up at Appomattox Middle School this Saturday, Sept. 8 from 9 a.m. until noon.

There will be a $10 registration fee for this program. For additional information, call Bob Hudson, director of recreation, at 352-2654.

Golf date changed

The Falling River Country Club men's golf championship tournament, scheduled for this weekend, has been postponed, according to a club spokesman.

The women's championship tournament will be played this weekend, however.

The men of the club are asked to be at the golf course this Saturday (Sept. 8) at 8 a.m. to help pick up rocks on the back nine holes, so that the new holes can be seeded by the end of September.

A rescheduled date for the men's tournament will be published in next week's Times-Virginian.

Word wins golf tourney

Milton Word (Farmville) reclaimed the title he first won in 1982 and Becky Ford (Richmond) successfully defended the crown she won a year ago in the third Greater Longwood Lancer Club/Coors Invitational Golf Tournament held Sept. 25 and 26 at Longwood Golf Course and Wedgewood Country Club.

Doug Marshall of Appomattox finished second in the first flight of the men's division with a 155, and Walter Carson finished second in the third flight with a score of 167.

Word, who stood in sixth place after firing a first round 75 at Longwood Saturday, came through with a 73 at Wedgewood Sunday. His 148 total was one better than the 149's posted by 1983 winner Don Thompson (77-72), David Pleasants (69-80) and Kenneth Rams (71-78).

A fifth place finisher last year, Word won the first Lancer Club Tournament in 1982 with a 67-76-143 when the tourney was played strictly at the Longwood course.

First round leader Keith Groseclose (Pinehurst, NC) had a 67 Saturday, but lost his chance for the title when he withdrew from the tournament Sunday afternoon. Former baseball great Johnny Bench, playing as a celebrity, had an 80-74-154.

Longwood sophomore Danny Hughes carded a hole-in-one in Sunday's action at the Longwood [illegible] ace the par-three hole.

FORD DEFENDS TITLE

Ford had little trouble defending the title she won a year ago in the women's division. She had rounds of 82 (Wedgewood) and 83 (Longwood) for a 165 total, eight strokes better than Shirley O'Neil (91-82-173) and Debbie Spencer (87-86-173).

Ford shot 75-81-156 to win a year ago when O'Neil also finished in a two-way tie for second.

The best score of the tournament was turned in by Longwood freshman Tina Barrett (Baltimore), a member of the Lady Lancer Golf team who was not eligible for the title.

Barret had a 75-72-147 for the two days of golf. The Longwood newcomer is a graduate of Perry Hall High School.

Over 160 paying participants and over 180 total golfers took part in the Lancer Club/Coors Tournament, jointly sponsored by the Longwood College Lancer Club and the Adolph-Coors Brewing Company. Revenue generated by the tournament will benefit Longwood College Athletics. Last year the event raised $3,400 for athletic scholarships.

RESULTS

WOMEN'S DIVISION -

Championship Flight; Becky Ford (Manakin-Sabot) 82-83-165, Debbie Spencer (Hayes) 87-86-173, Shirley O'Neil (Farmville) 91-82-173, Deets Haga (Prospect) 90-88-178.

First Flight: Nonnie Chumley (Keysville) 175, Carol Winn (Blackstone) 184, Sharon Gaunt (Ladson, SC) 187, Helen Ferneyhough (Monroe) 190.

MEN'S DIVISION -

Championship Flight: Milton Word (Farmville) 75-73-148, David Pleasants (Cartersville) 69-80-149, Kenneth Rams (Richmond) 71-78-149, Don Thompson (Hampden-Sydney) 77-72-149, Jimmy Paul (Farmville) 76-76-152, Bobby Vernon (South Boston) 73-79-152, Jim Ennis (Farmville) 78-77-155, Rick Simmons (Prospect) 80-75-155, Karl Boggs (Verona) 76-80-156, Frank Pegram (Richmond) 77-79-156, Mike Andrews (Farmville) 74-83-157, Harold Rhea (Farmville) 85-86-171.

First Flight: [illegible] 153, Doug Marshall (Appomattox) 155, Terry Towler (Arvonia) 155, Skeeter Fore (Farmville) 156.

Second Flight: Eric Korones (Richmond) 160, Jay Barnes (Bedford) 161, Paul Hicks (Farmville) 162, Carey Noblin (Farmville) 162.

Third Flight: Lee Baldwin (Farmville) 165, Walter Carson (Appomattox) 167, Jackson Chandler (Farmville) 169, John Sims (Lynchburg) 170.

Fourth Flight: John Fisher (Richmond) 177, R. D. Ailsworth (Keysville) 183, Robert Yates (Powhatan) 185, David Ownby (Cumberland) 187.

Fifth Flight: Bill Crews (Jetersville) 193, John Watson, Sr. (Chester) 195, Bobby Johnson (Prospect) 198, Cecil Patteson (Farmville) 198.

Mother or day care: which is better

Which is better for babies and preschool children--to have a full-time mother at home or be placed in someone else's charge during the work day?

It really doesn't matter, as long as the care is warm and good. That is the message that University of Virginia psychologist Sandra Scarr is trying to get across to America's parents and policy-makers.

"If you are like most working mothers, you face a hostile community of relatives, neighbors and professional telling you that a mother should stay home with her baby," says Scarr, a developmental psychologist who has researched the effects of different qualities of care on babies and young children.

But, "babies thrive with good day care, just as they do at home with an attentive mother," she writes in "Mother Care/Other Care," a book about child care options, scheduled to be published next month by Basic Books. For mothers who work, "why the guilt trip?" she asks.

"Children need the care of a trusted, responsive adult, but whether it's the biological mother is not important," says Scarr, Commonwealth professor of psychology and chair of the department at U.Va. "The focus should be on the quality of care and not who it's with. In fact, children are usually better off with satisfied substitute caretakers and a happy part-time mother than with an angry frustrated full-time mother."

Studies have found that employed women spend as much time as full-time mothers in direct interaction with their children, doing such things as reading to them and playing with them, says Scarr, a mother of four children herself.

Although employed mothers aren't able to spend as much total time with their children, "the importance of indirect access to the mother is questionable," she adds. "No one has shown that simply being around has any beneficial, or negative, effects on children's development. Common sense suggests that children need to be able to call on adults for help when they need it, but children can feel perfectly secure and content with caregivers who aren't their mothers."

On the average, most working mothers spend four to six hours a day with their babies, rather than all eight to 12 of a baby's waking hours, Scarr says. "But working mothers who are away from their babies for eight to nine hours a day still provide the majority of their infants' care -- before work and after work, on days off and on vacations."

"Why should women 'suffer' from being away part-time from maternal responsibilities, if they also have paying jobs that are important to them and to the rest of the family? The guilt trip is, in my view, a hangover of another era and of unacknowledged tactice to keep women in their proper place -- at home full-time."

Recent studies also show that babies in day care settings and babies at home with mothers full-time "showed identical preferences for their mothers as safe bases and emotional supports," Scarr says. And both groups also had the same percentage of securely and insecurely attached infants, she adds.

But if "other care" is used, it is important to choose the [illegible] that meets a child's developmental situation and individual needs, she stresses. "Mother Care/Other Care" describes advantages and disadvantages of various types of care available and also suggests ways to tell if a child care program is of high quality.

Day care centers are likely to provide organized educational programs, scheduled activities and a wide variety of materials, as well as have a staff with some training in child development, Scarr points out.

Children over three years old usually get the most benefit from day care centers' educational programs and from playing with other children, she says. Infants, toddlers and shy children get more from the one-to-one adult interactions offered in good day care homes or by sitters, she adds.

Square dance is focus

September is National Square Dance Month and the Quitchers Square Dance Club, in cooperation with the Campbell County Recreation Department, will sponsor beginners' square dance lessons.

Free introductory lessons will be offered on Monday, Sept. 10 and Sept. 17, at Leesville Road Elementary School, 816 Leesville road, Lynchburg, Virginia at 7:30 p.m.

The 30 lessons for beginners will officially start on Sept. 24, at the school which is located just south of Airport road on Leesville road. There is a small charge for the lessons.

After completion of the lessons a dancer may desire to join a square dance club and continue to learn more advanced movements. There are square dance clubs in all 50 states and in 33 foreign countries. Visiting other clubs is very popular among square dancers.

Square dancing is an exciting way to meet new people and get regular exercise while having fun. All square dance clubs have the same basic rules, which are, everyone must have a good time dancing and alcoholic beverages are prohibited before or during a dance.

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